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SHORTAGE OF LABOURERS FOR BOOKING OF GOODS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether there is a shortage of labourers for the purpose of booking of goods and ferrying them to the railway wagons in the Railways;

(b) If so, the average number of ferries a labourer completes in a day alongwith the quantity of goods he loads on the wagons; and

(c) The steps taken by the Railways to meet the shortage of labourers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) Booking of goods is done by railway staff and not labourers. Moreover, loading of goods is the responsibility of the customers and labourers are engaged by them.

(b) Such information is not maintained by Railways.

(c) Does not arise.